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<b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</b>  Address to: Mail Stop 313c Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	09/923,038
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**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
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 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
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  - ☒ Other transmittal, fee transmittal and amendment. \_\_\_\_\_
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